THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The Freedom of the Preſs is one of the great Bulwarks of Liberty, and can never be reſtrained but by deſpotic Governments.

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VIENNA, *January* 11.

THE laſt letters from Conſtantinople, dated December 17, mention, that war was declared in the Divan againſt the Perſians on the 3d of that month, and that a Seraſkier was appointed to go immediately with an army of 50,000 men againſt them.

By the lateſt advices the Perſians have taken Bagdat, and put a ſtrong garriſon into that place; and the ſame accounts add, that they are beſieging Aleppo.

BAREITH, *Jan.* 14. We have accounts from Vienna, that from various proceedings there, it ſhould ſeem as if they were at the eve of a war, but with whom is not known; however, the imperial army is at preſent ſo formidable, as to be able to make head againſt any enemy.

UTRECHT, *Jan.* 22. It is reported that a certain crowned head is dangerouſly ill. This account is of ſuch importance, that it wants confirmation. In the mean time we hear that the Elector of Bavaria, who was ill, is much recoverd.

LONDON, *December* 13.

THE following, however ſingular, is an undoubted fact: A preſs gang having ſeized a young chimney ſweeper, took him to the rendezvous on the Surry ſide of London bridge. The lad appeared cheerful, and ſaid, "My fellow prentice is ſtouter than me; I wiſh you would preſs him too." The Lieutenant offered a crown if the lad would direct where to find him. The money was accepted, and the prey was ſeized; but was no ſooner conducted to the rendezvous houſe, than he ſlipt up the chimney, which the Lieutenant not obſerving, cried, "Damn it, where is that fellow gone? Never mind that, Captain, ſaid the other boy, lend me your hanger, and I'll fetch him down in a moment. A requeſt apparently founded in ſuch courage and reaſon, was inſtantly complied with; and both the boys went over the tops of the houſes, and effected a total eſcape with the five ſhillings bounty money and the Lieutenant's hanger.

A chymiſt at Hamburg, named Adolphus Cathuſac, has lately diſcovered a method of refining ſugar without lime or bullock's blood, which the members of the ſociety for the encouragement of arts in that city have approved of, and apprehend will turn out of great public utility.

The Captain of a tranſport arrived in town yeſterday from Quebec, ſays, that the day before he left that place he ſaw eighteen waggons loaded with wounded ſoldiers, brought in there from the lakes, of which he was ready to make an affidavit.

Extract of a letter from Paris, *dated November* 18.

"The ſquadron under Count Duchafault will ſail on the 20th of this month from Breſt, to the French iſlands in America. This ſquadron is compoſed of ſix men of war, viz. le Magnifique of 74 guns, l'Intrepide, le Prothe, of 70 guns each, l'Eveille, le Bizatre, of 68 guns each, and le Roland of 66 guns. The frigates are l'Inconſtant of 28 guns, le Zephire and l'Oiſea of 36 guns each.

Dec. 14. There is advice from Copenhagen, that after a council of war held at that place, orders were given for fitting out twelve ſhips of the line and frigates with the utmoſt expedition.

On Tueſday morning died, after a lingering illneſs, at his palace at Biſhopthorpe, his Grace the Honourable and moſt Reverend Dr. Robert Drummond, Archbiſhop of York.

16. The ſtationery ſending out to New York, for the uſe of the army Paymaſters, now loading on board a ſhip in the river, amounts to upwards of 6000l.

A compact is ſaid to be ſigned between our court, and that of three northern powers, by which, in caſe of a continental war, they have ſtipulated to furniſh Great Britain, between them, with 60,000 men; ſo that there will be no neceſſity to ſend a man out of England.

This morning 6 large ſhips were taken up into Government ſervice, and ordered to be got ready to carry over ſome new clothing for the army at New York.

Jan. 14. Letters from Rotterdam, by the laſt mail, declare, that orders had been for ſome time deſpatched to all the Governors of the ſettlements belonging to the States General, to act with the utmoſt caution with reſpect to aſſiſting ſuch American veſſels as might put into their ports, their High Mightineſſes being determined not to give the leaſt cauſe of complaint to their old allies the Engliſh.

Friday died at his houſe in Queen Anne ſtreet, Thomas Hutchinſon, Eſq; late Governor of Maſſachuſetts Bay in New England.

Extract of a letter from General Sir William Howe, *to Lord* George Germaine, *dated* New York, *Dec.* 3, 1776.

"I have the honour to encloſe to your Lordſhip a return of ordnance and ſtores taken from the enemy ſince the landing his Majeſty's troops at Frog's Neck, in Weſt Cheſter county, from the 12th of October to the 20th of November. Thoſe in the commiſſary and quartermaſter general's branches are alſo very conſiderable; but as it has not been in their power hitherto to aſcertain them, the report muſt therefore be deferred to the next opportunity. I alſo encloſe a return of priſoners taken during the campaign."

Return of priſoners taken during the campaign 1776.

Auguſt 27, LONG ISLAND.

Commiſſioned officers: 3 Generals, 3 Colonels, 4 Lieutenant Colonels, 3 Majors, 18 Captains, 43 Lieutenants, 11 Enſigns. Staff: 1 Adjutant, 3 Surgeons, 2 volunteers. Privates, 1006,------including 9 wounded officers and 56 wounded privates.

September 15, 16, *Iſland of* NEW YORK.

Commiſſioned officers: 1 Colonel, 2 Lieutenant Colonels, 3 Majors, 4 Captains, 7 Lieutenants. Privates, 354.

October 12, WHITE PLAINS.

Commiſſioned officers: 1 Captain, 2 Lieutenants. Staff: 1 Quartermaſter. Privates 35.

November 15, FORT WASHINGTON.

Commiſſioned officers: 4 Colonels, 4 Lieutenant Colonels, 5 Majors, 46 Captains, 107 Lieutenants, 31 Enſigns. Staff: 1 Chaplain, 2 Adjutants, 2 Quartermaſters, 5 Surgeons, 2 Commiſſaries, 1 Engineer, 1 Waggon-maſter. Privates 2607.

November 20, FORT LEE.

Commiſſioned officers: 1 Lieutenant, 1 Enſign. Staff: 1 Quartermaſter, 3 Surgeons. Privates, 99.

Total. Commiſſioned officers: 3 Generals, 8 Colonels, 10 Lieutenant Colonels, 11 Majors, 69 Captains, 160 Lieutenants, 43 Enſigns.--- Staff: 1 Chaplain, 3 Adjutants, 4 Quartermaſters, 11 Surgeons, 2 Commiſſaries, 1 Engineer, 1 Waggon-maſter, 2 Volunteers.--- Privates, 4101.

Officers, ...	304	Total, 4430.
Staff, ...	25	
Privates, ...	4101	

Signed JOS. LORING, Commiſſary of Priſoners.

Return of ordnance and ſtores, taken by his Majeſty's troops in the redoubts and lines of the enemy, from their landing at Frog Neck, *Weſt Cheſter county, from the 12th of October, to the 20th of November*, 1776.

At fort Waſhington, now fort Knyphauſen, and batteries depending. Iron ordnance: 4 thirty two pounders, two 18 pounders, 7 twelve ditto, 5 9 ditto, 15 ſix ditto, 8 three ditto. 2 five and half inch braſs howitzers.

Fort Independence. Iron ordnance, 12 four pounders.

Fort Valentine. Iron ordnance: 4 twelve pounders, ten 9 pounders, 10 ſix ditto, 37 four ditto.

Fort Lee. The rock, redoubt, and batteries, in the Jerſies. Iron ordnance: 5 thirty two pounders, 3 twenty four ditto, 2 ſix ditto, 2 three ditto, 1 thirteen inch braſs mortar, 1 ten inch ditto. 2 thirteen inch iron mortars, 1 ten inch ditto, 1 eight inch ditto.

On the road leading to Hackinſack, in the Jerſies. Iron ordnance: 2 twenty four pounders, 2 eighteen ditto, 4 twelve djtto, mounted on travelling carriages, 4 ſix pounders.

Total. Iron ordnance: 9 thirty two pounders, 5 24 pounders, 4 eighteen pounders, 15 twelve pounders, 15 nine pounders, 31 ſix pounders, 49 four pounders, 10 three pounders, 2 five and half inch braſs howitzers, 2 thirteen inch braſs mortar, 1 ten inch ditto, 2 thirteen inch iron mortars, 1 ten inch ditto, 1 eight inch ditto.

SHOT. Round, looſe, 1087 thirty two pounders, 272 eighteen pounders, 2637 twelve pounders, 300 ſix pounders, 760 ſix pounders, 870 three pounders.

Caſe. 30 thirty two pounders, 40 eighteen pounders, 140 twelve pounders, 230 nine pounders, 74 ſix pounders, 39 three pounders, 1139 double-headed of ſorts, 42 boxes for grape.

SHELLS. 156 thirteen inch, 311 ten inch, 1140 eight inch, 1170 five and half inch, 1200 four two fifths inch

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Powder barrels			15
Muſkets of ſorts			2800
Muſket cartridges,		near	400,000
Iron —— tons	Bar		20
	Rod		5
Intrenching tools of ſorts			500
Armourers tools ſets			6
Hand barrows			200
Gyn complete			1
Sling carts			2
Iron fraiſe of 400 weight each, ſuppoſed to be intended to ſtop the navigation of Hudſon's river			200

A large quantity of other ſpecies of ſtores not at preſent aſcertained.

(Signed) SAM CLEAVELAND, Brig. Gen. Royal Artillery.

Jan. 15. A letter from Plymouth, dated January 10, ſays, "Came in his Majeſty's ſhip Raiſonable, from a cruize: She took, off Cape Finiſterre, an American privateer, called the Dorton, of 18 9 pounders, and 14 ſwivels, with 119 men, and has 9000 dollars on board; the Raiſonable parted with her in a gale of wind, but the privateer's men are on board the man of war."

The crew of the Dorton privateer, brought in by the Raiſonable, were put on board the Ocean guard ſhip of 90 guns, and it is ſaid the Captain will be tried for his life as a pirate.

It is ſaid that Government means to proceed, by way of information, againſt the four Aldermen who committed the Lieutenants; and that the mode at firſt intended, by way of action, is to be declined, as two private a way of bringing on a queſtion of ſo public importance as that which will be involved in the iſſue of this cauſe.

Jan. 27. Lord North will on Monday next appoint a day for laying ſome papers before the Houſe of Commons, and founding a motion on them relative to the ſettlement of America.

On Saturday advice was brought to Lord Suffolk's office of the death of the Right Hon. Sir Gilbert Elliot, Bart. in the ſouth of France (where he went for the recovery of his health) member for the Shire of Roxburgh, Treaſurer of the navy, keeper of the Signet of Scotland, and a commiſſioner of the forfeited eſtates in that kingdom.

Jan. 28. Inſtructions are ſent to Lord Stormont at the Court of Verſailles to demand the delivery of Dr. Franklin, in order that he may be ſent to England. In caſe of a refuſal, his Lordſhip has orders to return home immediately.

The Duke of Norfolk lies at the point of death. He is in the 92d year of his age.

Laſt Wedneſday noon three troops of the Queen's Dragoon Guards arrived at Briſtol, from Glouceſter, by whoſe aſſiſtance, and by the perſevering vigilance of the inhabitants, it is to be hoped that city will be guarded againſt any future attempts of incendiaries.

Another great bankruptcy of a Weſt India Houſe is daily expected

Mr. Ebenezer Platt, who was committed to Newgate on Thurſday laſt by Juſtice Addington, for high treaſon, was formerly a planter in the province of Georgia, in America. He is the firſt American that Government has meddled with, and much depends on his fate. If Adminiſtration ſhould proceed with rigour againſt him, then every active man, who has been foremoſt in American Congreſſes and Committees, or in executing the orders of ſuch meetings, muſt take care how he comes to Great Britain, or any of the ports where he can be ſecured and ſent here. The accuſation againſt Mr. Platt is founded on his having not only made free with his Majeſty's Stores at Savannah, but alſo traiterouſly ſupplied the enemy with a great quantity of ammunition.

Letters by yeſterday's French mail ſay, that no leſs than four American privateers are now lying in the harbour of Bourdeaux.

The Le Joy Planter, from New York for Corke, was taken by the Freedom Privateer, in lat. 38, which took all the hands out excepting the boatſwain, carpenter and three others. Theſe roſe upon the privateer's men, retook the veſſel the 1ſt of December, and carried her into St. Croix.

A draught is ordered to be made from the ſhipwrights in Deptford and Woolwich yards, to work in the King's yards at Portſmouth and Plymouth, the repair of ſome ſhips there being impeded for want of a ſufficient number of hands.

ADMIRALTY OFFICE, *Jan.* 27, 1777. Capt. Griffith, of his Majeſty's ſhip the Nonſuch, has ſent to Plymouth a rebel privateer ſloop of ten carriage guns, and eighty men, called the Charming Sally, Francis Brown, commander, which he took on the 16th inſt. to the weſtward of Cape Finiſterre; ſhe belonged to Dartmouth, in the Maſſachuſetts Bay, had been out about five weeks, and taken a ſchooner called the Betſy, William Clark, Maſter, from Gaſpee to Jamaica, and the brig called the Hannah, H. Beaſy, maſter, bound from Newfoundland to Lisbon, both laden with fiſh.

BOSTON, *April* 10.

FRIDAY laſt one of the Row Gallies, at Rhode Iſland, accidentally blew up, whereby eight men were loſt.

Yeſterday arrived at a ſafe port, a privateer ſchooner, commanded by Captain Cunningham, in a ſhort paſſage from the French Weſt Indies, where ſhe has lately ſent in ſeveral prizes. We learn that the French ports are crowded with cruiſers and merchantmen, belonging to theſe States, and that all kinds of goods are ſold at a moderate price.

Extract of a letter from Nova Scotia, *dated* Menis, *February* 20, 1777.

"I embrace this opportunity of ſending you a line or two, and not ſo much to let you know that we are well, as to let you know that Falmouth is to be taken this ſpring. Four ſhips with troops are to come from Halifax early in the ſpring, and I believe ſome from the ſouthward. Their intention is to get poſſeſſion of Caſco Bay, and join it to this government. I hope you will take care of yourſelf."

NEW HAVEN, *March* 26. We learn that on Saturday ſe'ennight, there was an engagement between a party of troops belonging to the State of New York, and a party of the enemy, near William's tavern, a little this ſide of Kingſbridge, in which we had eight men killed and ſome wounded; the enemy had alſo eight men killed and ſeveral wounded, among the former one Captain and two Lieutenants. The night following the enemy ſurrounded the houſe, where our guard was ſtationed, and made priſoners of 28 men, among whom is ſaid to be Major Fiſh, the officer who commanded the party in the action.

April 17. By a veſſel in 45 days from Nantz in France we learn, that the privateer which carried Dr. Franklin, ſince the two prizes formerly mentioned, has taken and carried into ſome ports in France five others, one of which we hear was a Liſbon packet.

The public are informed, that there have been born in the town of Brookfield, in the three laſt months, four pair of boys, of four women, who are all well; the three laſt within three weeks. A pleaſing proſpect that a ſucceſſion of American heroes will ariſe to defend their country, when the preſent defenders being numbered with the dead, ſhall receive the laſting plaudit of the brave.

FISH-KILL, *April* 24.

WE are informed, from good authority, that four regiments of the enemy are embarked on board their ſhips at Staten Iſland, and that General M'Dougal had orders to be in readineſs to repel them, ſhould they attempt to come up the North river; though at the ſame time it was apprehended they were bound elſewhere.

On Monday laſt two deſerters were ſhot at Peck's Kill. A villain apprehended with recruiting orders, from the enemy, was to have been hanged yeſterday, but his execution is deferred for ſome days. Three men were taken up laſt week at Clarks Town, with their recruiting orders; about 300l. were found on one of them in 40s. Connecticut, and 30 dollar continental bills, and a little gold and ſilver. They are properly ſecured, and no doubt will receive their deſerts.

Extract of a letter from MORRIS TOWN, *April* 20.

"A few days ago a party of our men, brought off one of the enemy's piquets, conſiſting of about 16 ſoldiers; at the ſame time we took three more at another ſtation, but unluckily miſſed the main piquet."

Under the New Haven head, in our laſt, was mentioned, that Major Fiſh was taken. We can aſſure the public that he is neither taken nor hurt by the enemy.

A paragraph in the Boſton papers, taken from an Engliſh paper, contradicts the report of Dr. Franklin's being demanded by the Britiſh Court.

PHILADELPHIA, *April* 29.

WE learn, by an expreſs arrived in town yeſterday, that General Carleton is within forty five miles of Ticonderoga. The garriſon at that place is commanded by General Wayne.

The enemy's ſhips ſtill continue in our bay, where they have taken and burnt ſeveral veſſels bound in. The enemy make it a general practice to burn all the veſſels that they take belonging to this continent.

Extract of a letter from BOUND BROOK, *April* 25, 1777.

"Deſerters all affirm, that the enemy have tin boats at Brunſwick, to be carried in waggons to the Delaware, as ſupports for bridges, on which the army are to paſs over."

Extract of a letter from an Officer at Camp, near BONHAM TOWN, *dated April* 25, 1777.

"A detachment under the command of Capt. Alexander Patterſon, of the Pennſylvania 12th regiment, commanded by Col. Cook, attacked the piquet guard of the enemy at two o'clock this morning, about 400 yards from Bonham Town, and, after a ſhort, but obſtinate engagement, the whole of the guard, 25 in number, were killed and taken priſoners. Lieutenant Frazier, of the 71ſt regiment, was killed on the

ſpot. The enemy, though advantageouſly poſted, did not attempt to ſupport their guard, but retired with precipitation to their works. Our officers and ſoldiers behaved with the greateſt coolneſs and courage on this occaſion; their conduct would do honour to the beſt diſciplined troops. We had Lieutenants Alhatton and Reily, of Col. Cook's regiment, wounded, but not mortally."

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 9.

THE Rutledge privateer, of Charleſtown, has carried into port a brig of 10 guns, from the coaſt of Guinea, with 42 ſlaves, a large quantity of elephants teeth, &c. which ſhe took almoſt under the guns of a fort at Barbabos, and in ſight of ſeveral veſſels at anchor, one of which (ſuppoſed a man of war) weighed and gave him chace.

A brig from Briſtol, bound to Dominico, with bread, flour, oil, paint, &c. and a bark of 180 tons, laden with ſtores, bound to Jamaica, are taken and carried into a ſafe port in New England.

Lately died at Wilmington, North Carolina, Brigadier Gen. Moore, and his brother Maurice Moore, Eſq; two Gentlemen eminently diſtinguiſhed by their attachment to the American cauſe, and whoſe deaths are eſteemed a public loſs.

We learn by ſome late South Carolina papers, that an Engliſh cruiſer on the Weſt India ſtation has made prize of a French ſhip bound from France to the French Weſt Indies, with a cargo of military ſtores; alſo, that an armed brigantine belonging to Charleſtown, from Cape Francois, with a number of volunteers on board for the firſt regiment of foot in the ſervice of the State of South Carolina, was taken the 2d of March laſt by the Hound ſloop of war, and loſt a few days after on an iſland, about 10 leagues weſt of the Cape; the veſſel, cargo, and all the people, except four, loſt. That the priſoners had been removed to the man of war immediately after the capture; and that the Britiſh cruiſers were ſo numerous and vigilant at Hiſpaniola, that ſcarce any thing could eſcape them: Eight maſters of captured veſſels, out of thirteen, had been put aſhore within the ſpace of one week. That the important bridge of communication between Sullivan's Iſland and the main (an immenſe work) is ſo far completed, by the indefatigable attention and conſtant attendance of General Gadſden, that it only requires ballaſt in ſome parts to fill up and make it ſolid.

The General Aſſembly of this State met at the capitol laſt Monday, and George Wythe, Eſq; was yeſterday elected to the chair of the Houſe of Delegates.

By a private letter from Euſtatia, to a Gentleman in this city, we learn, that Engliſh prints of the 8th of February had been received there, adviſing that bills had paſſed the Houſe of Commons granting letters of marque to private ſhips to take all veſſels belonging to the States of America, and for ſuſpending the hæbeas corpus act for a limited time.

Capt. John Sinclair, on his paſſage from St. Euſtatia, took a ſchooner with 123 hogſheads of rum, 2 ditto of ſugar, and 2 ditto of coffee, and ſent her into North Carolina.

Laſt week the Raleigh privateer, Captain Edward Travis, mounting 12 four pounders, was unfortunately taken by one of the enemy's ſhips in our bay.

RUN away from the Subſcriber, in *Goochland* County the 17th of *October* 1775, a Negro Man named ARTHUR, a thin, raw boned, artful, *Virginia* born Fellow, of a yellowiſh Complexion, about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, 35 or 40 Years of Age, ſtreight limbed, walks quick, ſmiles when ſpoken to, has loſt ſeveral of his upper Teeth, has a thin hollow Foot, and carried with him a Variety of Clothes, which he ſtole. Whoever delivers him to me in *Goochland* ſhall have FIVE POUNDS Reward, or FIFTY SHILLINGS if ſecured ſo that I get him again. (4‖) WILLIAM POWELL.

DESERTED from Capt. *Turner*'s Company of the 3d Regiment of *North Carolina* continental Troops, DARLING MADREY, a tall young Man, about 21 Years of Age, of a dark Complexion; WILLIAM MADREY, a ſhort well made Man, of a dark Complexion; RICHARD JONES, ſhort, well made, of a dark Complexion; DUGLESS CARRELL, a ſlender young Man, with reddiſh Hair, and blue Eyes; THEOPHILUS DINKINS, about 40 Years of Age, a tall Man, with lightiſh coloured Hair. The above Soldiers were enliſted in *Bute* County, *North Carolina*, and it is expected they will be harboured in ſaid County. Whoever will apprehend the ſaid Deſerters, and deliver them to any continental Officer, ſhall receive TWENTY DOLLARS Reward for each. (2‖) WILLIAM LINTON, Lieut.

URBANNA, *May* 5, 1777.

ALL Perſons who have any juſt Claims againſt *John M'Dowall*, Eſq; and Company, of *Glaſgow*, are requeſted to make them known without loſs of Time, and they ſhall be paid, as I purpoſe declining their Buſineſs immediately. BENNETT BROWNE.

DESERTED from the 3d Regiment of *North Carolina* continental Troops, the following Soldiers, *viz.* NATHANIEL BILBERY, JACOB FORT, HENRY HOWELL, HENRY SPEAR, and MATTHEW JOINER, all of *Edgecumbe* County; alſo WILLIAM GLOVER of *Northampton*. *Bilbery* is about 20 Years of Age, 5 Feet 9 Inches high, and of a light Complexion. *Fort*, about 6 Feet 2 Inches high, 21 Years old, dark Complexion. *Howell*, about 20 Years of Age, 5 Feet 7 Inches high, Complexion ruddy. *Joiner* is a ſtout well ſet Man, bow legged, about 20 Years old, 5 Feet 8 Inches high, complexion dark. *Glover*, about 6 Feet 4 Inches high, of a dark Complexion, and wears his Hair tied.----Whoever delivers them to their Company ſhall have TWENTY DOLLASR Reward. (1‖) JAMES BRADBY, Capt.

CABIN POINT, *May* 8, 1777.

I intend to leave the Commonwealth in a ſhort Time. ROBERT KENNAN.

RUN away, the 10th of *April* laſt, BEN, a Negro Fellow belonging to the Eſtate of *Adam Fleming*, Eſq; deceaſed. He is 25 or 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, rather ſlim made, and wears his Hair much down on his Cheeks, like Whiſkers. He has been lurking about *Williamſburg* and *York*, and plays the Fiddle. His Clothes I cannot deſcribe.--Whoever will bring the ſaid Negro to me at *Cabin Point*, *Surry* County, ſhall be entitled to 40s. beſides what the Law allows.

JAMES WILLISON.

☞ Any Perſon to whom *Adam Fleming*, Eſq; deceaſed, is indebted, by Bond or Acconnt, will pleaſe to apply to *James Williſon* for Payment,

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WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 7, 1777.

WHEREAS the Tanyard near this City, the Property of the late Mr. *William Pearſon*, deceaſed, is now occupied by the Subſcriber and Company, and they intending to carry on that Buſineſs to the greateſt Extent they poſſibly can, will give ready Money, and the higheſt Price, for Hides and Skins; and, as an Inducement to thoſe that have either to diſpoſe of, and ſhould want Leather, they may depend on being firſt ſupplied with what they have Occaſion for, as good, and on as reaſonable Terms, as by any other Perſon in this State. And as this Buſineſs carried on here may be of great Service to this Neighbourhood, they hope to have the Preference of all Skins and Hides ſold near this City. They flatter themſelves they will be able to give general Satisfaction, the Subſcriber being well acquainted with the Buſineſs, and particularly the Currying Part, which is ſo very neceſſary.

WILLIAM PLUME, & Co.

TO BE LET, at *Buckingham* Courthouſe, the ſecond *Monday* in *June* next, being Court Day, the Building a Brick Courthouſe 50 Feet in Length, and 32 Feet from the Front to the Back of the Building; the Court Room to be 20 Feet wide, with a Wing on each Side 20 Feet by 15; the Wall to the Water Table to be three Bricks thick and three Feet high, and from the Water Table to the Top two Bricks thick and twelve Feet high; a Chimney, with a Fire-Place to each of the ſmall Rooms; the Roof to be hipt, and covered with Plank and Shingles of Heart Pine; a Modillon Cornice to the Eaves; the inner Walls to be plaiſtered and white waſhed; the Bench, Bar, and other inſide Work, to be finiſhed in a genteel Manner; the Particulars of which will be agreed on at the Time of letting the Work. One Third Part of the Money to be paid when a ſufficient Number of Bricks for the Building are made and burnt, one other Third when the Walls ſhall be raiſed, and the Remainder when the Whole ſhall be completely finiſhed; for the Performance of which, by the laſt Day of *October* 1778, Bond and Security will be required of the Undertaker, by

JOHN BERNARD, } Truſtees.
JOHN COX, }

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TO BE SOLD for ready Money, on the third *Monday* in *May*, a ſtout NEGRO MAN belonging to the Eſtate of *Craxton Pryor*, deceaſed. All Perſons who have any Demands againſt the ſaid Eſtate, either by Bill or Bond, are deſired to bring in their Claims by the laſt Day of *July*, to receive their proportionable Part as Payment, as I imagine there will not be enough to ſatisfy every One fully.

(2‖) JOHN GIBBS, Executor.

N. B. If any Perſon has any Claims againſt the Negro, by Mortgage or Bill of Sale, they are deſired to make it known by the Day of Sale.

NORFOLK, *May* 5, 1777.

THE Subſcribers have for Sale, at this Place, a Quantity of MOHOGANY and SARSAPARELLA.

(‖) PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

IN COUNCIL, MAY 3, 1777.

IT appearing to the Board, that unavoidable Accidents have hindered the Ship ALBION from ſailing to *Great Britain* with the Paſſengers who have engaged to depart this State in her, it is ordered that a further Allowance of twenty Days be made for her ſailing, and that, during that Space of Time, the Paſſengers be and remain unmoleſted in this State. (A Copy) ARCHIBALD BLAIR, Clk.

TAKEN up, in *Spotſylvania*, a dark brown STEER about 3 Years old, marked with a Crop and Hole in the left Ear, and a Crop and Nick in the under Side of the right. Poſted, and appraiſed to 25s.

(‖) THOMAS COLSON.

TAKEN up, near the Head of *Sailor*'s Creek, in *Prince Edward*, a two Year old dark brindled Steer, unmarked when he came into this Neighbourhood, now marked with a Crop in the right Ear, and a Swallowfork in the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 25s.

(‖) THOMAS JACKSON.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subſcribers, two indented Servants, both Shoemakers, one named WILLIAM HANAN, the other CLOWD MORRISON. *Hanan* is an *Engliſhman*, about 25 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 5 Inches high, has a down Look, his Eyes are remarkably red, appear to be very ſore and watery, has fair Hair, and wears it ſhort, and is freſh coloured; had on, and took with him, an old blue Cloth Coat tore on the Shoulders, a white Kerſey Jacket, a new Check Shirt of *Virginia* Cotton, a ſmall brimmed Hat, old Leather Breeches, and old Shoes and Worſted Stockings. It is likely they will change their Clothes and Names. *Clowd Morriſon* is a *Scotchman*, nearly the ſame Height, but ſtout made, has thick Legs, his Hair is of a light Brown, and curls pretty much, ſpeaks broad, and is much pitted with the Smallpox; had on green Clothes when he went away, is a good Scholar, and perhaps may forge Paſſes for both himſelf and *Hanan*. It is thought they will make for *North Carolina*. Whoever will take up the ſaid Servants, and will lodge them in any Gaol, ſo as their Maſters may get them again, ſhall receive the above Reward, or 5l. for each, and if brought Home to Mr. *James French*'s Shop in *Peterſburg*, reaſonable Charges ſhall be paid, by

(2‖) ELIAS BARNABY.
ARCHIBALD MIDLIMIST.

APRIL 21, 1777.

FOUR of the Negroes belonging to the Eſtate of the late Col. *Francis Eppes*, deceaſed, lately advertiſed by me, ran away, and have not therefore been expoſed to Sale; among theſe is the Shoemaker. I intend now to ſet them up to the higheſt Bidder, at the late Dwelling-Houſe of the ſaid *Eppes*, on the ſecond *Monday* in *May* next, to be ſold at twelve Months Credit, the Purchaſers giving Bond and approved Security, to carry Intereſt from the Date.

(2‖) THOMAS SCOTT.

WANTED,

A MINISTER for the Pariſh of RALEIGH, in the County of *Amelia*. Any Clergyman applying to the Churchwardens and Veſtrymen of the ſaid Pariſh, if approved of, may expect the uſual Salary.

FOR SALE, for ready Money, at *Peterſburg*, on *Thurſday* the 22d Inſtant (*May*) all the HOUSE and KITCHEN FURNITURE, HORSES, COWS, &c. belonging to the Eſtate of *William Skinner*, deceaſed.---Thoſe Perſons who are indebted to the ſaid Eſtate it is expected will make immediate Payment, that all Debts due from the Deceaſed may be diſcharged as ſoon as poſſible.

ELIZABETH SKINNER, Adminiſtratrix.

☞ ALL Perſons indebted to the Subſcriber are requeſted to diſcharge their reſpective Balances, to enable him to ſatisfy the Demands of his Creditors.

THOMAS SKINNER.

PETERSBURG, *May* 2, 1777.

MANCHESTER, *April* 10, 1777.

AS I intend immediately to give up the Buſineſs of Meſſ. *Alexander Spiers, John Bowman*, and Company, in *Glaſgow*, if any Perſon have juſt Claims for Dealings with me on their Accounts, I deſire they will immediately apply and receive Payment.

(‖) ALEXANDER BANKS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 3, 1777.

I intend to leave the Country immediately. JOSHUA HARDCASTLE.

MECKLENBURG, *April* 26, 1777.

THE Subſcriber has for Sale, 770 Acres of LAND on *Beaver* Creek, 540 Acres on *Sandy* Creek, and 380 on *Leatherwood*, all in *Pittſylvania* County; alſo three valuable LOTS in the Town of *Blandford*, one of which is on the main Street, and has all neceſſary Houſes for a Family; likewiſe 1100 Acres of exceeding fine TOBACCO LAND in *Amherſt* County, whereon is a Plantation, with Land enough cleared to work 7 or 8 Hands. The Terms will be made eaſy to the Purchaſers, and may be known by applying to Mr. *Thomas Gordon* near *Blandford*, or

(‖) ALEXANDER GORDON.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, *April* 18, 1777.

I intend to leave *Virginia* immediately.

(2‖) WILLIAM MANSON.

FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from *Rappahannock* Forge, about the 12th Inſtant (*April*) a Negro Fellow named MOSES, the Property of Mr. *Robert Gilmour*, late of *Northumberland* County. He is about 45 Years of Age, near ſix Feet high, has a Liſp in his Speech, and for ſome Months paſt has had a Swelling in one of his Feet, which occaſions him to walk lame; he had on a light coloured Cloth Coat and a Pair of brown Linen Trouſers. The above Reward, beſide reaſonable Expences, will be paid on his being delivered to Mr. *David Galloway*, Senior, in *Northumberland*, or to me in *Falmouth*.

(2‖) WILLIAM LAWSON.

PRINCE GEORGE, *April* 29, 1777.

THE Subſcriber has for Sale between 7 and 8000 Acres of exceeding fine high LAND, lying in the lower End of *Bedford* County, on the Branches of *Whipping* and *Hill*'s Creeks; alſo 1400 Acres in *Mecklenburg* County, lying on *Finny-wood* and the Branches of *Blue Stone*, whereon is a good Plantation with Land enough to work 10 or 12 Hands to Advantage. The Terms will be made eaſy to the Purchaſer, and may be known by applying to Mr. *Thomas Gordon* near *Blandford*, or to

(6‖) WILLIAM MURRAY.

MORATTICO POINT, *April* 10, 1777.

SINCE opening the Naval Office for the Diſtrict of *Rappahannock* River at this Place, I have had an Opportunity of converſing with Numbers of the trading Gentlemen, as well as Owners and Maſters of Veſſels, and find that *Hobb*'s *Hole* would be the moſt agreeable Place on the River, I therefore propoſe opening the ſaid Office at *Hobb*'s *Hole* on the 10th Day of next Month, and by this timely Notice, I expect in future that Maſters of Veſſels will not give me any unneceſſary Trouble in executing the Duty of the ſaid Office.

HUDSON MUSE, Naval Officer.

KING & QUEEN, *April* 28, 1777.

TO be ſold, at *Aylett*'s Warehouſe, *King William* County, on *Friday* the 16th of *May*, to the higheſt Bidders, for ready Money, in ſmall Quantities, the Cargo of the Schooner FANNY, conſiſting of Sheeting, White Linens, Brown Sugar, Pepper, Nutmegs, Horn and Ivory Combs, Penknives, Writing Paper, Pins, Needles, Sewing Silks, ſorted Threads, and Gunpowder.

(2) EDWARD HILL.
RICHARDS, HALL, & Co.

TO be ſold, at public Sale, on *Thurſday* the 15th Day of *May*, at *Burwell*'s Ferry, near *Williamſburg*, the Sloop WASHINGTON, with all her Tackle and Apparel, agreeable to Inventory, to be ſeen on the Day of Sale. She is about 4500 Buſhels Burthen, 3 Years old, and her Frame of Mulberry and Cedar. At the ſame Time and Place will be ſold a few Quarter Caſks of WINE.

JOHN HOLLOWAY.

TAKEN up, in *Mecklenburg*, a BRINDLED STEER with a few white Spots on him, marked with a Crop in the right Ear, and a Crop, Underkeel, and Slit in the left; alſo two BRINDLED COWS with white Faces, and a little White on each of their Backs, with the ſame Mark of the Steer. Poſted, and appraiſed to eight Pounds.

(‖) THOMAS ANDERSON.